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SUBJECT: FEBRUARY 20 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

DIP SOURCES AT BANGKOK SAY 2 SEN KENNEDY AIDES WILL TRAVEL
SAIGON TO BRING HOME REMAINS LAST 2 US MIL KILLED IN VN
(WP, BG).

NYT CARRIES UPI PHOTO LEADERS ARMED REBELLION BEING
REMOVED FROM SAIGON CHURCH AFTER 15-HR GUN BATTLE
LAST WEEKEND. SVN RADIO ACCUSES US INVOLVEMENT IN
SAIGON UPRISING LED BY RC PRIEST (WP).

SVN REGIME SEIZES OVER 100,000 BOOKS, CALENDERS, 'PLAYBOY'
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MAGAZINES THAT IT CLASSIFIES AS REACTIONARY, OBSCENE IN
CAMPAIGN TO ERADICATE "DEPRAVED" CULTURE BROUGHT IN BY
US, THIEU GOVT (REUTER SAIGON).

LAOS GOVT WILL BURN SERIES STAMPS COMMEMORATING US BICENTENNIAL. STAMPS PRINTED LAST YEAR (AP, NYDN).

NVN PRESS LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN AGAINST THAILAND FOR ALLEGED OPPRESSION VIET MINORITY, CLOSING FRONTIER WITH LAOS (REUTER HANOI).

BANGKOK PAPER SAY RTG PROPOSES AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH FEW REMAINING US FORCES WOULD BE PLACED UNDER THAI JURISDICTION. ADDS USG HAS MADE NO OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO PROPOSAL (WP).

ONLY UK, THAILAND SIGN NEW INTL TIM AGREEMENT AT UN, AMONG 30 PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES (CNS, JOC).

2. INDONESIA

PERTAMINA OFFICIAL SAYS OPEC WILL HOLD MAY MTG IN INDONESIA (CSM; WSJ).

3. PHILIPPINES

ARMBRUSTER (CSM) AT MANILA REPORTS CRITICS ACCUSE GOVERNOR IMELDA OF TRYING REBUILD CITY FOR RICH, THOUGH SHE SAYS PLANS RELY HEAVILY ON PRIVATE SECTOR TO MEET MANILA'S PROBLEMS. IMELDA'S FIRST MOVE, FLOOD CONTROL, KNOCKED SINCE MAY INVOLVE REMOVING MANY SQUATTERS FROM LOW-LYING AREAS, RETURNING THEM TO COUNTRYSIDE. GOVERNOR ALSO COMPLAINS POSITION ON LOW-COST HOUSING DISTORTED BY PRESS, THAT SHE IS NOT AGAINST LOW-COST RESIDENCES, BUT NOT IN FAVOR HOUSING PROJECTS SINCE CAUSE SOCIAL PROBLEMS; CLAIMS BEAUTIFICATION, CULTURAL PROJECTS VITAL FOR DEVELOPMENT FILS' SENSE OF IDENTITY.

4. PACIFIC ISLANDS

KING OF TONGA IN INDIA ON STATE VISIT, ENTERTAINED BY UNCLASSIFIED

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PM INDIRA (NYT).

5. AUSTRALIA

OPPOSITION MEMBER WILL SEEK PARLIAMENTARY INVESTIGATION CIA ACTIVITIES IN COUNTRY (REUTER CANBERRA).

6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S TRIP

KL SAYS ROCKY WILL TOUR MALAYSIA, OTHER SEA COUNTRIES INCLUDING THAILAND NEXT MONTH (AP, WSTAR 2/19) . VP WILL VISIT FRANCE, IRAN, MALAYSIA, SINGAPORE, AUSTRALIA, NZ BETWEEN MARCH 20, APR 4 TO REPRESENT

US AT BICENTENNIAL OBSERVANCES, CONDUCT FOREIGN POLICY DISCUSSIONS (CSM; GLOBE). WH SAYS WILL PROVIDE DETAILS LATER (CSM). HAPPY WILL ACCOMPANY (GLOBE).

7. JAPAN

JAPAN, FRG, AUSTRIA RECOGNIZED SOV-BACKED PMLA REGIME ANGOLA THURSDAY (AP, NYT, SUN).

MIKI, IN TV PRESS CONFERENCE THURSDAY, ASKED REPEATEDLY WHETHER REALLY WILLING DIG OUT TRUTH ABOUT LOCKHEED SCANDAL. REPLIED ANGRILY, "YOU DON'T TRUST ME, DO YOU?" ADDED MUST REVEAL TRUTH TO REGAIN PEOPLE'S TRUST (WSJ).

MIKI SAID WOULD HEAD CABINET CMTE COORDINATE INVESTIGATIONS BY DIET, LDP, TAX, LEGAL AGENCIES. BELIEVED HAK ASKED US COURT WITHHOLD NAMES FOREIGN OFFICIALS INVOLVED "WITH BEST INTENTIONS," BUT IMPLIED EFFECT COUNTERPRODUCTIVE JAPAN. CAUTIONED ANY ATTEMPT CONCEAL NAMES JAPANESE OFFICIALS INVOLVED WOULD HARM US-JAPAN RELATIONS. SAID WILL SEND SPECIAL ENVOY, IF NECESSARY, TO SEEK FULL COOPERATION OF US TO UNCOVER TRUTH (PHINQ, LAT; AP, GLOBE).

HALLORAN (NYT) SAYS MIKI TOLD NATION JAPANESE DEMOCRACY WOULD SUFFER 'FATAL WOUND' IF BRIBERY SCANDAL LEFT UNCLASSIFIED

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UNSOLVED. NOTES PREVAILING JAPANESE VIEW THAT SEC KNOWS NAMES, REFUSES DIVULGE ON ADVISE SECSTATE.

SAAR (WP) SAYS GOJ "FINALLY" MADE CLEAR WITH DIPLOMATIC REQUEST DELIVERED WASHINGTON, FIFTH ON SUBJECT, THAT WANTS NAMES ALL JAPANESE OFFICIALS INVOLVED. NOTES MIKI SAID EXPECTS US-JAPAN RELATIONS "GROW HEALTHIER AND STRONGER," AFTER TRUTH EMERGES.

TOKYO PRESS SAYS AMB TOGO REPORTED TO GOJ THAT DOS, CHURCH CMTE BOTH TOLD HIM HAVE NO JAPANESE OFFICIALS' NAMES (PHINQ).

SPOKESMAN SAID FRIDAY ANY IMAGE DAMAGED BY BRIBERY SCANDAL, MAY DECIDE NOT PLACE PENDING ORDER FOR THREE MORE TRISTARS, WORTH 60 MILLION DOLS (REUTER TOKYO).

IN SEN BANK CMTE HEARING THURSDAY ON GUARANTEED-LOAN TO LOCKHEED, SECTREAS SIMON SAID DID NOT KNOW NAMES OF PEOPLE ALLEGEDLY BRIBED BY LOCKHEED, WOULD NOT DISCLOSE ANY NAMES HE MIGHT LEARN. SEN PROXMIRE CHARGED HE AND ADMIN "ENDORSE" COVER-UP; IF CMTE ACCEPTS SIMON VIEW, WOULD BE ACCEPTING "BIGGEST COVER-UP

SINCE WATERGATE; (REUTER WASHINGTON; WSJ; AP, GLOBE; WP).

FRB CHAIRMAN BURNS TOLD JOINT ECON CMTE THURSDAY SAW NO REASON PUBLICLY IDENTIFY FOREIGN OFFICIALS SAID BRIBED BY LOCKHEED; "COULD NOT DO MY JOB ANY BETTER IF I KNEW THE NAMES" (REUTER WASHINGTON).

SPOKESMAN SAID THURSDAY TOYOTA GOT INQUIRY FROM FORD ABOUT PURCHASE FIVE-SPEED TRANSMISSIONS FOR SMALL CARS; 3,000 UNITS/MO, BEGINNING FALL. TOYOTA SAID STUDYING (WSJ, TOKYO).

CULLISON (JOC) SAYS JFY 75 STEEL EXPORTS EXPECTED EXCEED 30 MILLION TONS, ABOUT 10 PCT LESS THAN PREVIOUS YEAR, ACCORDING INDUSTRY SOURCES.

CSM'S DOLE NOTES US, FOREIGN CARMAKERS "BARRELLING TOWARD UNCLASSIFIED

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SHOWDOWN" IN 1976 IN SMALL CAR MARKET, ESPECIALLY ON US WEST COAST. KAWAMATA SAYS NISSAN "WATCHING CHEVETTE VERY CAREFULLY," BUT HAS PUT OFF DECISION BUILD PLANT IN US, DUE RECESSION.

LEADING TISSUE PAPER MAKER, HOXY CO, CANNOT PAY OFF 63.33 MILLION DOL DEBTS, APPLIED THURSDAY FOR COURT PROTECTION FROM CREDITORS (UPI, WSTAR 2/19).

CBS RADIO REPORTS AMEMBASSY SOURCE SAYING SENDING NO ONE TO TOKYO AIRPORT TO GREET NIXONS AT STOPOVER ENROUTE PEKING. REPORTER SAYS REFLECTS ADMIN EMPHASIS PRIVATE NATURE NIXON JOURNEY.

8. CHINA

NIXON FLIES TO PRC FEB 20 FOR CONTROVERSIAL VISIT. US-BUILT CHINESE JET, THAT ARRIVED VANCOUVER WEDNESDAY, SCHEDULED ARRIVE LA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT 6 AM FRIDAY. ACCORDING AIRPORT SOURCES, BOEING 707 SCHEDULED DEPART FOR PEKING BETWEEN 8:30-9AM; SCHEDULED ARRIVAL PEKING SATURDAY (UPI GLOBE, NYT).

ARRIVAL CHINESE JET ON US SOIL PRODUCES OFFICIAL FEARS SOME AMERICAN BUSINESSMAN MIGHT TRY OBTAIN COURT ORDER SEIZE CRAFT, ACCORDING CHITRIB'S BECKMAN (NYDN). NYDN CARRIES FRONTPAGE AP PHOTOS OF CHINESE 707 JETLINER BEING SERVICED AT VANCOUVER AND OF NIXONS. WP ALSO FRONTPAGES AP PHOTO OF CANADIAN MAINTENANCE MEN AT WORK ON PLANE. WSJ FRONTPAGE DIGEST SAYS NIXON VISIT INDICATES PRC DESIRE CONTINUE RELATIONSHIP WITH US. NIXON WILL RETURN TO TV SPOTLIGHT. PEKING GRANTS ALL

THREE US NETWORKS PERMISSION COVER NIXON TRIP. AT
LEAST 20 US NEWSMEN WILL GO -- "IRKING FORD."

WP'S ARMSTRONG SAYS ON EVE OF PRC FLIGHT, NIXON DOES
NOT KNOW WHOM HE WILL MEET THERE, WHAT SUBJECTS WILL
BE DISCUSSED OR EVEN WHERE HE WILL BOARD PLANE SENT
TO TRANSPORT HIM. BECAUSE OF DANGER PLANE BEING ATTACHED
BY US CITIZEN WITH CLAIM AGAINST PRC, OFFICIAL SOURCES
INDICATED NIXON AND CHINESE CONSIDERING THREE ALTERNATIVES--
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LANDING LA INTERNATIONAL, AT EL TORO MARINE CORPS AIR
STATION, OR HAVING NIXON PARTY BOARD IN VANCOUVER. SAYS
NO FLIGHT PLAN FILED BY CHINESE FLIGHT CREW AS OF LATE
THURSDAY NIGHT, AND OFFICIAL SOURCES GUESSED NIXON
WOULD BOARD IN VANCOUVER. CITES JUSTICE DEPT SOURCE
THAT NO WAY STOP PRIVATE CITIZENS SUING CHINESE;
US COULD ONLY ENTER COURT ASKING CHINESE BE GRANTED
IMMUNITY. ACCORDING ARMSTRONG, CHINESE APPARENTLY HAD
OFFERED NIXON VETO POWER OVER WHICH MEMBERS US PRESS,
IF ANY, WOULD ACCOMPANY HIM, BUT SOURCES SAID NIXON
REFUSED EXERCISE IT. SOURCES CLOSE TO NIXON INDICATE
HIGH-RANKING CHINESE OFFICIALS HAVE REPEATEDLY
ATTRIBUTED NIXON DEPARTURE FROM OFFICE TO "ELITIST
MEDIA," WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON WP, NYT

AT THURSDAY BREAKFAST WITH GROUP OF REPORTERS, BUSH
SAID US INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY WAS COMPLETELY SURPRISED
WHEN HUA KUO-FENG NAMED ACTING PREMIER; ADDED HE NEVER
MET HUA (GLOBE, NYDN, SUN'S CORDDRY, WSTAR'S KEMPSTER).
BUSH SAID HE KNEW OF NO PLANS FOR WH, DOS, CIA, DEBRIEF
NIXON UPON RETURN US, BUT HOPED USG WOULD BE ABLE OBTAIN
INFO FROM HIM (NYDN, CORDDRY).

PEKING MADE SCATHING ATTACK ON INDIA THURSDAY FOR
WITHDRAWING WATER OF GANGES FROM BANGLADESH AND "BULLYING"
ITS NEIGHBORS ON SUBCONTINENT (AFP, WP).

US MIL SPOKESMAN SAYS TAIPEI AIR STATION WILL CLOSE
BY SUMMER, REDUCING US MIL STRENGTH ON ISLAND BY 2300
MEN. CLOSING IS PART OF CONTINUING REDUCTION/REALIGNMENT
US FORCES OVERSEAS, SPOKESMAN SAID (GLOBE).

9. KOREA

REPS LEGGETT (CALIF), ADDABBO (NY) DENY THURSDAY WP
REPORT RECEIVED BRIBES FROM ROKG LAST FALL. LEGGETT
SAID CHESHIRE PIECE ON SUBJECT "FULL OF HOT AIR";
CLAIMED CHESHIRE, OTHER UNNAMED SOURCES, DROPPED CHARGES
IN LAP OF JUSTICE DEPT. CHESHIRE DENIED SHE SOURCE
OF CHARGES (WP).

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SENS BUCKLEY (NY), DOLE (KANS) CHAIRED PANEL DISCUSSION CONGRESS WEDNESDAY, TO HEAR COMPLAINTS OF DISGRUNTLED PARENTS WHOSE CHILDREN JOINED CONTROVERSIAL UNIFICATION CHURCH. HEARD RABBI COMPARE 'OO' "ECT TO NAZI YOUTH MOVEMENT (WILLOUGHBY, WSTAR 2/19).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

CHINA

WSJ FINDS IT BECOMING INCREASINGLY CLEAR THAT CHINESE NIXON REVISIT INVITATION IS PEKING'S WAY OF REBUKING FORD/HAK FOR GOING TOO FAR IN APPEASING SOVIET. IS DIABOLICALLY CLEVER PLOY FOR MAKING THEIR POINT, BUT POINT COULD SCARCELY BE MORE SERIOUS. CHINESE ARE CONCERNED BY APPARENT US INABILITY STAND UP TO SOVIETS AT HELSINKI, IN ANGOLA, IN SALT; IF PEKING CONCLUDES US PRESENCE COUNTS FOR NOTHING IN WORLD, HER ONLY RESOURCE IS SEEK BEST DEAL POSSIBLE WITH SOVIETS. THIS NEEDS WEIGHING BY CONGRESSMEN VOTING ON AID TO PLACES LIKE ANGOLA AND BY ADMIN LEADERS PONDERING HOW FAR ACCOMMODATE SOVIETS IN STRATEGIC ARMS TALKS, ETC.

ON AGRONSKY PBS/TV PROGRAM THURSDAY NIGHT, HEARST'S WALLACH SUGGESTED PEKING INVITATION TO NIXON AT THIS PARTICULAR TIME MIGHT BE TIMELY REMINDER TO SOVIETS THAT SINO-US TIE, IF NOT STILL STRONG, AT LEAST STILL EXISTS, AND THAT MOSCOW MUST NOT SEEK TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PRC LEADERSHIP STRUGGLE. ;STAR'S BRADSHER FELT IT STILL UNCLEAR WHETHER WALLACH'S VIEW IS CASE, OR WHETHER NIXON PICKED UP INVITATION NOW JUST AS MATTER OF HIS OWN CONVENIENCE, BECAUSE HE NOW FEELS WELL ENOUGH AND WISHES CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY OF HIS 1972 TRIP IN PEKING. STLP-D'S DUDMAN SAW CHINESE ATTEMPTING GET MESSAGE ACROSS TO US THROUGH NIXON THAT IMPORTANT TO HAVE COMPLETION OF NORMALIZATION PROCESS.

REUTER'S GREGSON SUGGESTS CHINESE CHOICE OF BOEING 707 TO TRANSPORT NIXON IS PARTICULARLY FITTING, SINCE HIS 1972 VISIT OPENED WAY FOR TRADE WITH PRC, ONE OF FIRST UNCLASSIFIED

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RESULTS OF WHICH WAS CAAC'S PURCHASE THAT AUGUST OF 10 THESE PLANES. THINKS CHINESE WILL DOUBTLESS WELCOME NIXON AT LEAST AS EFFUSIVELY AS THEY DID EISENHOWERS RECENTLY. WHILE NIXON CAN EXPECT ANOTHER INVITATION TO MEET MAO, MAKE-UP OF TEAM OF OFFICIALS WHO GREET HIM

AT AIRPORT COULD BE AS SURPRISING AS SUDDEN ANNOUNCEMENT
OF HIS VISIT AND POINT TO POSSIBLE OUTCOME OF TOP-LEVEL
POLITICAL CRISIS.

GLOBE'S SNOW CONTENTS NIXON WILL ARRIVE IN PEKING IN
CIRCUMSTANCE OF CONTEMPORARY CHINESE PAWN, MORE THAN
PAST US PRES. NOTING, SINCE SHANGHAI DECLARATION,
US-SOVIET DETENTE HAS CONTINUED PROGRESS AT PARTIAL

EXPENSE US-PRC RELATIONS, EVIDENT PEKING DISPLEASURE WITH
RESULTS FORD VISIT, CHOU EN-LAI'S DEATH, DEMOTION
TENG HSIAO-PING AND PROMOTION HUA KUO-FENG, AND CURRENT
TENSIONS WITHIN PRC, CONCLUDES THAT VERY POSSIBLE NIXON,
RATIONALIZING HIS DECISION BY CONSIDERATIONS OF THESE
EVENTS, CHOSE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY "FOR AN EARLY PAROLE
AND A FIRST DRAMATIC STEP TO REHABILITATION." INSISTS
CERTAINLY WRONG FOR NIXON, ON BASIS HIS POLITICAL PAST,
TO MOVE WILLFULLY TO INFLUENCE OR EVEN CO-OPT FORD ADMIN
POLICY DIRECTIONS. FORD/HAK TEAM MAY INDEED HAVE
JEOPARDIZED US RELATIONS WITH PEKING, BUT THIS FOR THEM
TO LIVE WITH, BE JUDGED ON BY CONGRESS AND VOTERS, NOT
FOR NIXON TRY UNDO ON HIS OWN. HIS PRC TRIP IN THIS
ELECTION YEAR IS UNWARRANTED INTERFERENCE IN US POLITICS
BY ONE WHO HAS FORFEITED RIGHT TO INTERFERE.

DAVID EISENHOWER (WSJ) WRITES ANECDOTES ABOUT HIS RECENT
PRC VISIT. SAYS COUNTRY CONSIDERS ITSELF WAVE OF FUTURE.
ISSUES PRC RESOLVES IT DOES SO FOR ALL MANKIND--IDEA
AMERICANS ALSO CHERISH FOR THEMSELVES. FORCHINESE, AS
FOR EVERYBODY, NOTHING CERTAIN EXCEPT STRUGGLE.

WP'S GREEN'AY, IN SINGAPORE, SAYS C'INA-WATCHERS SEE
LITTLE HOPE TENG BECOMING PREMIER NOW--BUT THERE IS
"PECULATION WHETHER RECENT PEOPLE'S DAILY SUGGESTION
'CAPITALIST ROADERS' REFORM THEMSELVES MEANS TENG AND
OTHERS CAN BE SAVED IF THEY REPENT, CONFESS CRIMES.
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FINDS IT INTERESTING, IN LIGHT OF CURRENT EVENTS, TO
LOOK BACK AT TENG'S CONFESSION 10 YEARS AGO. IS WONDER
HE COULD HAVE BEEN REHABILITATED AT ALL AFTER ALL THAT;
OUT THEN, LIN PIAO'S FALL MADE IT EASIER FOR CHOU
REHABILITATE PEOPLE LIKE TENG.

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD, IN HK, NOTES NUMBER OF SENIOR CHINESE
OFFICIALS PURGED DURING GPCR, AND WHO WOULD SEEM TARGETS OF
RECENT SERIES ATTACKS, HAVE APPEARED PUBLICLY AT PEKING
FUNCTIONS IN LAST FEW DAYS -- AND HK ANALYSTS UNCERTAIN
WHETHER THEIR SURVIVING IS COINCIDENTAL OR DESIGNED
SHOW PEKING'S MODERATE PARTY VETERANS STILL HOLD POSITIONS
OF POWER. AMONG THESE ARE DEPUTY EDUCATION MINISTER
LIU AI-FENG, GENERAL STAFF DEPUTY CHIEF HO CHENG-EN, AND

TWO DEPUTY MINISTERS OF FOREIGN TRADE. IN ADDITION, REPORTED FROM PEKING THIS WEEK THAT HUAN HSIANG, FORMER DEPUTY MINISTER FOREIGN AFFAIRS, NOT SEEN IN PUBLIC FOR YEARS, HAS NOW BEEN NAMED AMBASSADOR TO EEC, AND ANALYSTS BELIEVE THIS SIGNIFICANT. BUT TENG HSIAO-PING UNSEEN SINCE READING CHOU EULOGY JAN 15.

11. JAPAN

PROMPTED BY REACTIONS TO LOCKHEED DISCLOSURES, JAMESON (LAT 2/15) ATTEMPTS EXPLAIN CHARACTERISTIC THAT PERMITS JAPANESE IGNORE EMBARRASSING ISSUE, EVEN WHEN OUTLINES WIDELY KNOWN, UNTIL FACTS AIRED IN FORMAL SETTING. PUT SIMPLY, STATES FORM MORE IMPORTANT THAN SUBSTANCE. EVERYONE KNEW KODAMA HAD DARK PAST, BUT HE ALLOWED LEAD UNTROUBLED LIFE, EVEN EXERCISE UNDEFINED INFLUENCE OVER LEADING POLITICIANS, UNTIL FORMALLY IDENTIFIED IN CONGRESS AS LOCKHEED SECRET AGENT. SIMILARLY, MAN-SLAUGHTER CASE INVOLVING JCP CHAIRMAN MIYAMOTO LONG IGNORED BY KNOWING PUBLIC, UNTIL DSP CHAIRMAN KASUGA RAISED IN DIET, AND TANAKA FINANCIAL DEALINGS WERE NO PROBLEM UNTIL RAISED TO FORMAL LEVEL AT FOREIGN PRESS CLUB. AND FACT WAS EVERYONE KNEW US SEVENTH FLT WAS BRINGING NUCLEAR WEAPONS INTO JAPAN FOR YEARS, BUT DID NOT STIR UP POLITICAL UPROAR UNTIL CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY BY RETIRED USN ADMIRAL IN 1974. IN ALL CASES, WHAT "MATTERED SUDDENLY" WAS NOT ACTIONS THEMSELVES, UNCLASSIFIED

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BUT FACT THEY WERE RAISED TO FORMAL LEVEL BY PRESENTATION ON PUBLIC STAGE IMBUE WITH AUTHORITY.

12. AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND

DISCUSSING WORLD-WIDE POLITICAL CURRENTS IN ENGLISH-SPEAKING WORLD, HART (BALTO N-A 2/19) POINTS OUT NZ THREW OUT LABOUR GOVT IN NEGATIVE VOTE ON CONSTANTLY EXPANDING SOCIAL EXPENDITURE. NOTES AUSSIE VOTERS REJECTED WHITLAM FOR BOTH FOREIGN, DOMESTIC POLICY REASONS: LABOUR HAD STEERED "THIRD WORLD" COURSE, INDICATED INTENTION LOOSENING TRADITIONAL WESTERN ORIENTATION; AT HOME, HAD STEERED HEAVY WELFARE, SOCIAL SPENDING COURSE. REVIEWS SIMILAR EVENTS IN CANADA, RUMBLES IN ENGLAND, PARALLEL CURRENTS IN US. SEES RIGHTWARD MOVEMENT IN POLITICS NORTHERN "TIER" MAJOR WESTERN NATIONS.

13. GENERAL

SUN'S SEIDEN AT TOKYO NOTES BRIBES, PAYOFFS, INFLUENCE-PEDDLING, FAVOR-TRADING, IN VARIOUS FORMS, TO VARYING DEGREES, GENERALLY ACCEPTED AS INEVITABLE PART

DOING BUSINESS IN ASIA, OTHER PARTS OF WORLD. QUOTES
BUSINESSMAN THAT BUDGETS 15 PCT IN HK, 8 PCT IN
TAIWAN, 2.5 PCT IN JAPAN. SAYS EXCEPT IN JAPAN,
BRIBERY IN ASIA NEED NOT BE DONE WITH SUBTLETY, FINESSE.
REVIEWS SITUATION IN JAPAN AT SOME LENGTH, QUOTES
JAPANESE SAYING RUMORS FORGOTTEN IN 75 DAYS. EAGLEBURGER

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